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Doug WISE

Former Deputy Director - Defense Intelligence Agency; CIA - Senior Intelligence Service.

"Evolution of the Intelligence Community: Over the Decades in Iraq and Afghanistan" September 25, 2024

Scott SNYDER

President and Chief Executive Officer at the Korea Economic Institute of America (KEI).

"The U.S.-South Korea Alliance: Why It May Fail and Why It Must Not" October 15, 2024

Urban AHLIN

Swedish Ambassador to the USA

"Our Newest NATO Ally – Sweden's Views on Geopolitical Challenges"

November 20, 2024

David SANGER Chief Washington Correspondent, NYT

"New Cold Wars: China's Rise, Russia's Invasion and American's Struggle to Defend the West"

December 17, 2024

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Eric FARNSWORTH

VP Americas Society / Council of the Americas "China in the Americas: Implications for the Incoming Administration"

January 15, 2025

Mohsen MILANI

Executive Director of the Center for Strategic and Diplomatic Studies Professor of Politics University of South Florida *"Iran's Rise in the Middle East and Its Implications for US National Security."* February 6, 2025

James KETTERER

Senior Fellow — Center for Civic Engagement, Bard College *"Jazz Diplomacy : America's Conversation with the World"* March 19, 2025

John SULLIVAN US Ambassador to Russia (Ret.) "Russia's War Against the West" April 23, 2025

Dr. Jeff ROGG

Senior Research Fellow at Global National Security Institute (GNSI) *"The Spy and the State: the history of American Intelligence"* May 20, 2025

2023-2024 Season

General (Retired) Kenneth MCKENZIE Jr.

Former commander of U.S. Central Command "U.S. National Security in the 21st Century" September 26, 2023

Dr. Charles EDEL

Senior Adviser and inaugural Australia Chair at the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS). *"The AUKUS Wager: Australia, the United States, and the Transformation of the Indo-Pacific Order"* October 10, 2023

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Dr. Tanvi Madan

Director, The India Project Foreign Policy Fellow, The Brookings Institution "Balancing Act: India's Ties with China and the United States" November 7, 2023

Dr. James Zogby

James Zogby co-founded, in 1985, the Arab American Institute "The Israeli-Palestinian War in Gaza : No Lessons Learned" December 21, 2023

Dr. Michael Rubin

Michael Rubin is a senior fellow at the American Enterprise Institute, where he specializes in Iran, Turkey, and the broader Middle East.

"Iran's Coming Transition: What Could Go Right, What Could Go Wrong, and What it Means for the United States and the Region"

January 10, 2024

Dr. Bruce Jones

Dr. Bruce Jones is a senior fellow with the Strobe Talbott Center for Security, Strategy, and Technology in the Foreign Policy program at the Brookings Institution. He also works with the Center for East Asia Policy Studies.

"The Coming Clash at Sea: Naval Power and Sea-based Globalization in an Era of Geopolitical Contest"

February 13, 2024

Thomas Shanker

Thom Shanker is the director of the Project for Media and National Security at George Washington University. *"Our New Age of Danger"*

March 12,2024

Peter Mattis

Mr. Mattis is President of the Jamestown Foundation. *"Chinese Power and Purpose under Xi Jinping"* April 10, 2024

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Allison Quatrini

Allison Quatrini is an associate professor of Political Science at Eckerd College, specialized in China and East Asia.

"The Limits of Tolerance: China's Communist Party and the Uyghurs." May 16, 2024

2022-2023 Season

AMBASSADOR ERIC RUBIN

Former US Ambassador to Bulgaria, prior service as Security Affairs Officer in the Central and Eastern Europe Desk in the Bureau of Soviet Union Affairs; Deputy Political Counselor Ukraine; President American Foreign Service Association September 15, 2022

GENERAL JAMES CARTWRIGHT USMC (Ret.)

GUEST NIGHT Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Former Commander, U.S. Strategic Command October 12, 2022

JAMIL MAHUAD

Holiday Guest Night Former President of Ecuador Visiting Faculty Harvard Kennedy School *"New wine in old wine skins ?* Framing Latin America's dilemmas today" December 8, 2022

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IAN EASTON

Senior director at the Project 2049 Institute "If Taiwan Falls : Conflict Scenarios and Implications for America". January 14, 2023

MICHAEL KIMMAGE

Professor of history and department chair at the Catholic University of America. Fellow at the German Marshall Fund.

" The Four Origins of the War in Ukraine" February 16, 2023

The Honorable HENRIETTA HOLSMAN FORE

Former Executive director of UNICEF First woman Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) Director of U.S. Foreign Assistance Under Secretary of Management in the Department of State Director of the United States Mint in the U.S. Department of Treasury *"Advocating for Humanity: Henrietta Fore"* March 14, 2023

MARK V. VLASIC

Mr. Vlasic is a Senior Fellow and Adjunct Professor of Law at Georgetown University and leads the international practice at Madison Law & Strategy Group; Legal Advisor, Clooney Foundation for Justice.

"*My Employees are Held Hostage: Next Steps when the KGB Seizes your Property*" April 20, 2023

ALI WYNE

Mr. Wyne is a senior analyst with Eurasia Group's Global Macro-Geopolitics practice, focusing on US-China relations and great-power competition.

"Rightsizing China's Challenge to the United States : Why Beijing Is a Formidable But Self-Limiting Competitor"

May 24, 2023

2021-2022 Season

Dr. MOHSEN MILANI

Founding Director of the Center for Strategic & Diplomatic Studies at the University of South Florida.

"The Response of Russia, China and Iran to the Taliban's Rise" September 15, 2021

MARC POLYMEROPOULOS

Formerly of the Senior Intelligence Service ranks of the CIA *"Clarity in Crisis: Leadership Lessons from the CIA"* October 12, 2021

ANNIE PFORZHEIMER

Non-resident Associate with the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) and former Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Afghanistan *"Afghanistan: Where Are We Going?"* November 16, 2021

AMBASSADOR PAUL WOLFOWITZ

Senior Fellow at the American Enterprise Institute (AEI) "Perspective on current and future U.S.-China relations." December 7, 2021

KATYA RIMKUNAS

Regional Deputy Director, Latin America and The Caribbean, IRI—International Republican Institute *"The Challenges Driving the Migration Crisis"* January 26, 2022

RICHARD FONTAINE

Chief Executive Officer of the Center for a New American Security ("CNAS") **"U.S. – Russia Relations and the Crisis Over Ukraine"** February 9, 2022

DANIELE PLETKA

Distinguished Senior Fellow in foreign and defense policy studies at the American Enterprise Institute ("AEI") *"Back to the Future: The Iran Problem. And Again."* March 3, 2022

AMBASSADOR RYAN CROCKER

Nonresident Senior Fellow at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace *"The Middle East and the New World Disorder."* April 7, 2022

Dr. DOUGLAS JONES

Director of the Florida Museum of Natural History in Gainesville *"Pollinators, Pythons, and People: Addressing Global Issues."* April 26, 2022

2020-2021 Season

FRANCISCO J. SÁNCHEZ

Former U.S. Under Secretary of Commerce for Trade under President Barack Obama *"U.S. Trade Policy in 2021: What to Expect under Trump or Biden"* September 30, 2020

ADAM ALBION

Director of South East Asia Leadership Academy "Central Asia Between China and Russia: Is the US Going to Play a Role?" October 28, 2020

CHRISTOPHER HUNTER

Nonresident Senior Fellow with the Atlantic Council "The Rule of Law, Democracy, and Freedom: Assessing the Future of America's Most Valuable Exports." November 19, 2020

ADMIRAL (Retired) ERIC T. OLSON

Former Commander – US Special Operations Command "Ongoing and Emerging Threats: The View From Militaries Around The World." December 11, 2020

DAVID T. DUMKE

Executive Director, Office of Global Perspectives & International Initiatives - University of Central Florida *"Resetting Strategic Relations: U.S., Egypt, and the Middle East"* January 12, 2021

BRYAN STERN

President of John Paul Jones Consulting International LLC and Senior Intelligence Professional. *"Foreign Policy and Security Challenges Facing the New Administration"* February 23, 2021

THOMAS CRISMAN, PH.D.

U.S. Dept of State - Jefferson Science Fellow; School of Geosciences, University of South Florida *"Water Security as a Focal Point for U.S. Foreign Policy"* March 10, 2021

CHARLIE CRIST

United States Congressman

Discussed an overview related to his service on the Appropriations Committee, including the subcommittee on Defense and the Science Committee which oversees NASA and space and climate change policy.

April 7, 2021

2019-2020 Season

ANDREW NAGORSKI

Author and Journalist "What Today's Leaders Can Learn from Churchill, Roosevelt and Stalin" September 17, 2019

DR. JAMES J. ZOGBY

President of the Arab American Institute *"Update on Yemen and the Arabian Peninsula"* October 23, 2019

FARAH PANDITH

Adjunct Senior Fellow with the Council on Foreign Relations *"A Grassroots Approach to Countering Violent Extremism"* November 19, 2019

AMBASSADOR STUART E. EIZENSTAT

Chief Domestic Policy Advisor to President Carter *"President Carter: The White House Years"* December 3, 2019

WILLIAM BURKE-WHITE

Richard Perry Professor, Professor of Law, and Inaugural Director of Perry World house at the University of Pennsylvania *"Five Forces Shaping the Future of America's Role in the World"* January 21, 2020

MARC POLYMEROPOULOS

Former Senior Agent of Acting Director of The Central Intelligence Agency *"The Indispensable Institution: The CIA in the 21st Century"* February 12, 2020

[March, April, May 2020 cancelled – COVID]

2018-2019 Season

DANIEL KURTZ-PHELAN

Executive Editor of Foreign Affairs "Pivotal Cold War Misunderstanding Between China and the United States and How Those Lessons Are Urgently Relevant Today" September 20, 2018

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ROBERT W. COURTNEY

"Twenty Years in Moscow: An American Business Leader's Perspective on Current US-Russian Relations." October 4, 2018

SCOTT A. SNYDER

Senior Fellow for Korea Studies and Director of the Program on U.S.-Korea policy at the Council on Foreign Relations in New York. *"From 'Fire and Fury' to the Singapore Summit: Prospects for Peacefully Managing the North Korean Nuclear Threat."* November 1, 2018

EARL ANTHONY WAYNE

Former U.S. Ambassador to Mexico "Analysis of a Series of Issues Important to U.S. – Mexican Relations. December 6, 2018

TOM NAGORSKI

Executive V.P., Asia Society *"The Nature of the US-China Relationship and the Global Turbulence Surrounding It"* January 23, 2019

OMAR SAMAD

Former Afghan Ambassador to France and Canada *"The Afghanistan War in Transition: New Great Game or End-Game?"* Wednesday, February 13, 2019

BOB TIPPEE

Editor of the Oil & Gas Journal "Shifting Sands: Energy and Geopolitics in the Middle East." March 14, 2019

VLADIMIR KARA-MURZA

Russian opposition leader and human rights activist Vladimir Kara-Murza, Vice Chairman of the Open Russia

Movement and Chairman of the Boris Nemtsov Foundation for Freedom. April 4, 2019

STEVEN A. COOK

Senior Fellow for Middle East and Africa Studies, Council on Foreign Relations "Current Developments in Turkey - Surprise Election Results" May 2, 2019

2017-20218 Season

JOHN AND PAM KNOX

John Knox Sandy Beaver Professor of Geography and Undergraduate Coordinator of the atmospheric sciences program at the University of Georgia (UGA) in Athens, Georgia, Pam Knox an Agricultural Climatologist for the Crop and Soil Sciences Department in the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences at the University of Georgia since 2012. *"Thin Ice: The Effect of Climate Change on Foreign Policy and National Security"* September 26, 2017

PROFESSOR EYTAN GILBOA, PH.D.

Chair of the Israel Communication Association, the academic and professional organization of scholars serving in departments and schools of communication in all Israeli institutions of higher education.

"The Future of Syria: An Israeli Perspective" October 25, 2017

GRANT RUMLEY

Research Fellow at the Foundation for Defense of Democracies ("FDD") *"Who Replaces Mahmoud Abbas? The Future of Palestinian Politics".* November 8, 2017

AMBASSADOR CHRISTOPHER HILL

Dean of the Josef Korbel School of International Studies at The University of Denver Former U.S. Ambassador to Iraq December 7, 2017,

PAUL B. STARES, PH.D.

"Preventive Engagement: How America Can Avoid War, Stay Strong, and Keep the Peace" January 30, 2018

AMBASSADOR FRANK WISNER

Former U.S. Ambassador to Zambia, Egypt, the Philippines and India *"The United States and Iran: Challenges Ahead"* March 6, 2018

AMBASSADOR JOHN BEYRLE

Former U.S. Ambassador to Russia *"Russia: Preparing for the Post-Putin Era"* April 3, 2018

GENERAL NORTON A. SCHWARTZ USAF (Ret)

"Nuclear Deterrence and the Emerging Cyber Battlefield" May 2, 2018

2016-2017 Season

AMBASSADOR JOHN E. HERBST

Director, Dinu Patricia Eurasia Center Atlantic Council September 26, 2016

RADM JOHN KIRBY

Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs and Department Spokesman "My Life as a Government Spokesperson" October 18, 2016

URBAN AHLIN

Speaker and Chair of the Riksdag Board in Sweden Impact of BREXIT and the European Migrant Situation November 3, 2016

MARTIN "MARTY" BARON

Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist and Executive Editor of The Washington Post December 14, 2016

DANIEL BENAIM

Senior Fellow at the Center for American Progress *"The Trump Administration and the Middle East"* January 12, 2017

DR. MUDHAFAR A. AMIN

Iraqi Ambassador to London, 1999 to 2003 *"Iraq: A View from the Inside"* February 22, 2017

MICHAEL FUCHS

Senior Fellow at American Progress March 28, 2017

MARK LYNCH

Professor of Political Science and International Affairs at George Washington University *"The Trump Administration and Islamist Movements"* April 13, 2017

U.S. SENATOR BILL NELSON

"Current National Security and Foreign Policy Opportunities and Challenges" May 26, 2017

2015-2016 Season

GAYLE LEMON

Senior Fellow, Council of Foreign Relations Author, *"Ashley's War"* September 30, 2015

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WILLIAM HILL and MICHAEL KOFMAN

Kennan Institute, Wilson Center *A "Kennan Conversation on Russia, Iran, and the Ukraine"* October 15, 2015

KAREN DEYOUNG

Pulitzer Prize winning Senior National Security Correspondent and Associate Editor, The Washington Post *"The Impact of the New Digital Media on Foreign Policy Considerations"* November 19, 2015

AMBASSADOR ROBERT JORDAN

U.S. Ambassador to Saudi Arabia (2001-2003) December 2, 2015

GREGORY MANIATIS

Senior European Policy Fellow – The Migration Policy Institute *"Europe's Migration Crisis and Why It Matters for Americans"* January 13, 2016

MOLLY WILLIAMSON

Scholar for the Middle East Institute Senior Foreign Policy Advisor *"At the Intersection of the Three E's; Energy, Environment, Econony"* February 4, 2016

AMBASSADOR ERIC BOSWELL

Director of the Office of Foreign Missions "Conducting U.S. Diplomacy in a Dangerous World" March 9, 2016

BRIGADIER GENERAL PETER GALLAGHER

Director of Command and Control, Communications and Computer Systems United States Central Command

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"Cybersecurity in the Middle East" April 13, 2016

AMBASSADOR FRANCIS RICCIARDONE

United States Ambassador to Turkey (2011-2014) "No Easy Answers: Challenges and Opportunities for the U.S. in the Middle East" May 24, 2016

2014-2015 Season

DR. GAL LUFT

Co-Director, Institute for the Analysis of Global Security "The Collapse of America's Energy Security Paradigm" September 10, 2014

FRED FLEITZ

Senior Fellow with the Center for Security Policy *"Appropriate Measures for Containing the Islamic State"* October 29, 2014

LT. GENERAL CLAUDIA KENNEDY, USA (Retired)

LT. GENERAL DONALD KERRICK, USA (Retired)

"Climate Change: Risks for National Security" November 18, 2014

PROFESSOR DEREK HARVEY

Director, Global Initiative for Civil Society and Conflict, University of South Florida December 3, 2014

HENRY R. NAU

Professor of Political Science and International Affairs; Director, U.S-Japan-South Korea Legislative Exchange Program, Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University *"Is America Going Isolationist Once Again?"* January 22, 2015

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DEAN CHENG

Senior Research Fellow, Asian Studies Center, The Davis Institute for National Security and Foreign Policy at The Heritage Foundation "China and North Korea, the Odd Couple" February 19, 2015

AMBASSADOR MOHAMMED JAHAM AL KUWARI

Embassy of the State of Qatar Washington, DC March 30, 2015

AMBASSADOR JOHN BEYRLE

Board Director, U.S. Russia Foundation and former United States Ambassador to Russia April 29, 2015

J. PETER PHAM

Director, Atlantic Council's Africa Center "**U.S. Policy and the New Africa**" May 14, 2015

2013-2014 Season

AMES CLAD

Distinguished Research Fellow at the National Defense University Geopolitics of Energy September 20, 2013

HENRY 'HANK' LEVINE

Senior Director of Albright Stonebridge Group *"A Rising China Meets the U.S. and the World"* October 17, 2013

DR. ADAM GARFINKLE

Editor-in-Chief of The American Interest *"The Strange Death of the American Grand Strategy"* November 14, 2013

AMBASSADOR CHRISTOPHER R. HILL

U.S. Ambassador to Iraq, April 2009-August 2010; Senior Director at Albright Stonebridge Group; and Dean, Josef Korbel School of International Studies, Denver University December 6, 2013

RICHARD L. RUSSELL, PH.D.

Professor of National Security Affairs, National Defense University's Near East and South Asia Center for Strategic Studies and Special Advisor to the U.S. Central Command *"The Obama Administration: Pivoting Out of the Middle East and into Asia?"* January 16, 2014

ABDULWAHAB ALKEBSI

Regional Director for Africa and the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) Center for International Private Enterprise (CIPE) February 6, 2014

BRIGADIER GENERAL MARTINS

U.S. Army Judge Advocate General's Corps, Chief Prosecutor of Military Commissions, overseeing the trial of Khalid Sheik Mohammed and four co-defendants March 12, 2014

TANVI MADAN, PH.D.

Fellow, Foreign Policy program, Brookings Institution, and Director of the India Project April 9, 2014

AMBASSADOR HUSAIN HAQQANI

Pakistan's Ambassador to the United States 2008-2011 May 20, 2014

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2012-2013 Season

PETER FISCHER

Minister and Head of Economic Affairs Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany Washington, D.C. *"The German Policy on the Euro"* September 2012

ERIC T. OLSON

Admiral, United States Navy (Ret.) "Evolving Strategy" November 1, 2012

KIMBERLY DOZIER

Intelligence & Security Correspondent Associated Press, Washington, D.C. *"Running the Covert War in the Age of Transparency -- Challenges for the New Administration"* November 12, 2012

JAMES R. SASSER

United States Senator and Ambassador to the People's Republic of China December 7, 2012

KAREN ELLIOTT HOUSE

Pulitzer Prize winning journalist, former Publisher of the Wall Street Journal *"Saudi Arabia: Its Fault Lines and Future"* January 17, 2013

Dr. HANS-PETER MANZ

Ambassador of the Republic of Austria to the United States *"Globalization and International Cooperation"* February 26, 2013

JOHN RIZZO

Career Legal Counsel at the Central Intelligence Agency 1976 through 2009 *"Being CIA's Lawyer in the Post-9/11 Era: Challenges Faced and Lessons Learned"* March 14, 2013

VICKI HUDDLESTON

Former United States Ambassador to Mali "Crisis in the Sahara: Al Qaida Strikes Back" April 3, 2013

LIEUTENANT GENERAL JOHN F. MULHOLLAND, JR.

Deputy Commander of United States Special Operations Command May 21, 2013

2011-2012 Season

KATHERINE GREEN

Senior V.P. of Programming CNN International *"The Impact of Social Media on Journalism and Foreign Affairs"* September 2011

RUFUS PHILLIPS

Author, Case Officer - Central Intelligence Agency "Why Vietnam Matters: An Eyewitness Account of Lessons Not Learned" October 2011

SAMUEL Y. TADROS

Senior Partner, Egyptian Union of Liberal Youth *"Understanding Egyptian Politics Today"* November 2011

THE HONORABLE THOMAS D. BOYATT

American Ambassador and Distinguished Diplomat "Rebuilding Diplomatic Capacity: What Will it Cost?" December 2011

ERIC SCHMITT and THOM SHANKER

Authors & Senior New York Times Correspondents "Counterstrike: The Untold Story of America's Secret Campaign Against Al Qaeda" January/February 2012

Dr. MOHSEN M. MILANI

Professor of Politics, University of South Florida **"The Syrian Crisis and Role of the Regional Players: Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, Turkey and Saudi** Arabia" March 2012

AMY PATRICIA CELICO

Senior Vice President - Albright Stonebridge Group "China's Economic Power as an Instrument of Foreign Policy" April 2012

JOHN R. SCHMIDT

Lecturer – George Washington University U.S. Foreign Service *"The Unraveling: Pakistan in the Age of Jihad"* May 2012

2010-2011 Season

ANN LOUISE BARDACH

Author, Reporter, Journalist *"With or Without Fidel"* September 2010

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS AMBASSADOR TURKI AL FAISAL AL SA'UD

Former Ambassador of Saudi Arabia To the United States *"U.S. – Saudi Relations"* October 2010

Dr. CYNTHIA WATSON

Professor of Strategy, The National War College "China's Growing Influence in Latin America and around the World" November 2010

THE HONORABLE JOHN W. LIMBERT

American Ambassador and Distinguished Professor U.S. Naval Academy "U.S.-Iranian Relations" December 2010

Dr. PAUL MARSHALL

Senior Fellow of the Hudson Institute *"Silenced: How Freedom is Threatened by New Restrictions on Blasphemy"* January 2011

IMAM MUHAMMAD MUSRI

President of the Islamic Society of Central Florida, Pastor – Masjid Al-Rahman *"The Role of Moderate Muslims after 9/11"* February 2011

GORDON G. CHANG

Renowned authority on Asian affairs, Author *"The Coming Collapse of China"* March 2011

DR. SATU PRAKASH LIMAYE

Director, East-West Center, Washington, D.C. *"The Emergence of India as a World Power"* April 2011

GENERAL JAMES N. MATTIS

Commander, U.S. Central Command Biennial Briefing at MacDill Air Force Base May 2011

2009-2010 Season

Dr. MOHSEN MILANI

Professor of Politics University of South Florida *"Tehran's Take: Understanding Iran's U.S. Policy"* September 2009

AMBASSADOR ULRIC HAYNES

Former American Ambassador to Algeria *"Background for a New American Policy in the Middle East"* October 2009

Dr. ALAN ZELICOFF

Consultant, Public Health Medical-Legal Review *"Infectious diseases respect no borders:* International Pandemic Planning for H1N1, SARS, Tuberculosis and lots of other diseases we don't even know about yet" November 2009

AMBASSADOR CHRISTIAN PROSL

Ambassador of Austria to the United States *"Security Policy and Transatlantic Relations"* December 2009

PROFESSOR SEYMOUR GOODMAN

Professor of International Affairs and Computing Sam Nunn School of International Affairs / College of Computing, Georgia Institute of Technology *"The Global Penetration of Mobile Telephony and the Coming Tsunami* of Information Insecurity" January 2010

Dr. DAVID ABSHIRE

President and Chief Executive Officer Center for the Study of the Presidency *"Meeting the Challenge of al-Qaeda: NATO/Afghanistan/Pakistan"* February 2010

AMBASSADOR JAN MATTHYSEN

Ambassador of Belgium to the United States *"Policy Challenges for Europe"* March 2010

Mr. DEXTER FILKINS

2006-2007 Nieman Fellow, Harvard University, Former Baghdad Correspondent for The New York Times *"Stories from Afghanistan"* April 2010

Dr. VANDA FELBAB-BROWN

Foreign Policy Fellow, Brookings Institution "Shooting Up: Narcoterrorism from Latin America to Asia" May 2010

2008-2009 Season

AMBASSADOR VICKI HUDDLESTON

Former U.S. Ambassador to Madagascar and Mali; and Chief of Mission in Havana from 1999 – 2002

"US – African Security: A New Approach for A New Administration" September 2008

PETER ARMACOST

President Emeritus, Eckerd College and President, Forman Christian College (Lahore) *"Pakistan: A Firsthand Report on Education in an Islamic Republic"* October 2008

E. WAYNE MERRY

Senior Associate, American Foreign Policy Council "Where Is Russia Going, Anyway? And What Are the Prospects That It Will Arrive?" November 2008

JAMES GOLDGEIER

Senior Fellow, Council on Foreign Relations and Professor of Political Science, George Washington University *"America Between the Wars:* The misunderstood decade between the end of the Cold War and the start of the War" December 2008

ADAM S. POSEN

Senior Fellow, Peterson Institute for International Economics *"Responding to the Global Financial Crisis"* January 2009

ERIC P. FARNSWORTH

Vice President, Council of the Americas "Prospects for Policy in the Americas: Si Podermos" February 2009

KANI XULAM

Director, American Kurdish Information Network "Kurdistan: What Happens When Your Oppressors Are Next Door Neighbors" March 2009

JOHN REPPERT

Brig. Gen. USA (Ret.); Dean, George C. Marshall Center, Garmisch, Germany; Defense Attaché, U.S. Embassy, Moscow *"The Arc of Instability: Iraq, Iran, Afghanistan and Pakistan"* April 2009

ADMIRAL ERIC T. OLSON

Commander, United States Special Operations Command *"US Special Operations: A Global Survey of Crisis and Response"* May 2009

2007-2008 Season

PROFESSOR ALAN LEE WILLIAMS

Former British Labour MP and Parliamentary Secretary to the UK Secretary of Defense *"U.S.-European Security Issues"* September 2007

Dr. ARTHUR ALEXANDER

Former President of the Japanese Economic Institute (JEI) *"Japan's Economic Rebirth: Prospects for Power in the Pacific Rim and Beyond"* October 2007

COL. LAWRENCE WILKERSON, USA (Ret.)

Secretary of State Colin Powell's former Chief of Staff "An Open Letter to the New President: Six Changes to US Foreign Policy" November 2007

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FORMER U.S. SENATOR BOB GRAHAM

"Post 9/11 Intelligence Challenges and the Dangers Confronting the Next President" December 2007

AMBASSADOR ANTHONY C.E. QUAINTON

Distinguished Diplomat in Residence, American University *"Terrorism, Counter-terrorism and Diplomacy"* January 2008

Dr. ROBERT D. LANGENKAMP

Director, National Energy-Environmental Law and Policy Institute *"Oil: Questions Not Being Addressed by Our Presidential Candidates"* February 2008

WALTER RUSSELL MEAD

Henry A. Kissinger Senior Fellow in U.S. Foreign Policy, Council on Foreign Relations *"God and Gold: Britain, America, and the Making of the Modern World"* March 2008

GERALD ROBBINS

Associate Scholar at the Foreign Policy Research Institute *"Turkey and the EU: Redefining Turkey's Strategic Importance"* April 2008

MELVIN GOODMAN

Senior Fellow, Center for International Policy and Adjunct Professor of Government, John Hopkins University - former Division Chief and Senior Analyst Office of Soviet Affairs, Central Intelligence Agency *"America's Russian Problem"* May 2008

2006-2007 Season

WALTER L. CUTLER

Former United States Ambassador to Saudi Arabia, Tunisia and Zaire President of the Meridian International Center *"America and Saudi Arabia: Facing New Realities"* September, 2006

H.E. PROFESSOR GEORGE OBIOZOR

Nigerian Ambassador to the United States *"Nigerian-U.S. Relations"* October, 2006

DAVID M. LAMPTON

Dean of Faculty and Director of the China Studies Program at John Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies *"China's Growing Power and* What It Means for the World" November, 2006

"Views from the Front:

A Panel Discussion by Senior Leaders of the Coalition Forces" December 2006

STEPHEN E. FLYNN, Ph.D.

Jeane J. Kirkpatrick Senior Fellow for National Security Studies at the Council on Foreign Relations

"The Edge of Disaster: Rebuilding a Resilient Nation" January 2007

DEXTER FILKINS

New York Times correspondent in Afghanistan and Iraq. *"From the rubble at Ground Zero to the Green Zone"*

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Filkins has personally experienced the entire arc of terrorism since 9/11. February 2007

MAX BOOT

Senior Fellow for National Security Studies at the Council on Foreign Relations Award-winning author and former Editorial Editor for the Wall Street Journal *"War Made New: Technology, Warfare, and the* Course of History, 1500 to Today" March 2007

AMBASSADOR VICKI HUDDLESTON

former U.S. Ambassador to various posts, including Chief of Mission at the U.S. Interests Section in Havana from 1999 - 2002 *"Memories of Fidel – U.S. Policy in Post-Fidel Cuba"* April 2007

ADMIRAL WILLIAM J. FALLON

Commander, U.S. Central Command Biennial Briefing at MacDill Air Force Base May 2007

2005-2006 Season

AMBASSADOR ROBERT E. HUNTER

Senior Advisor at RAND, Washington, D.C. *"NATO: Back in Business for the 21st Century"* September 2005

CRAIG W. DUEHRING, Principal Deputy

Assistant Secretary of Defense (Reserves) *"Building and Sustaining a Viable Reserve Force"* October 2005

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HIS EXCELLENCY CHRISTIAN BLICKENSTORFER

Ambassador of Switzerland to the United States *"Switzerland Between Two Worlds"* November 2005

AMBASSADOR CRESENCIO ARCOS

Director, International Affairs Department of Homeland Security *"Homeland Security: The International Dimension"* December 2005

AMBASSADOR MEL SEMBLER

former U.S. Ambassador to Italy and Australia *"George W. Bush As I Know Him and Why We are Winning the War on Terrorism"* January 2006

RAYMOND BAKER

guest scholar at the Brookings Institution and a senior fellow at the Center for International Policy *"Capitalism's Achilles Heel: Dirty Money and How to Renew the Free-Market System"* March 1, 2006

DONNA OGLESBY

former ranking Diplomat at USIA and Diplomat in Residence, Eckerd College *"Public Diplomacy: Politics, Propaganda, or Publicity?"* March 21, 2006

BRIAN LATELL

Senior Associate in the CSIS Americas Program and former adjunct professor at the School of Foreign Service at Georgetown University *"After Fidel: The Inside Story of Castro's Regime and Cuba's Next Leader"* April 2006

GORDON G. CHANG

Renowned authority on Asian affairs "Nuclear Showdown: North Korea Takes on the World" May 2006

2004-2005 Season

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